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REMARKS

This amendment is filed in response to the Office Communication dated June 21, 2006. Claims 1-32 are currently pending.

Amendment to Claim 21:

In the Notice of Allowance for the present case, the Examiner amended claim 21, lines 11-12 to recite "a card housing." Applicants respectfully note that this was not the agreed upon amendment that was discussed in the interview of July 7, 2005. As described in Applicants Interview Summary, mailed July 7, 2005, a portion of the interview was directed toward a showing of specification support for the term "housing" recited in line 2 of claim 21, as opposed to "the card housing" recited in lines 11-12. Applicants' representative noted support for the term "housing" in the specification, for example, on page 2, lines 6-8 and 10-21. Further support is outlined in the Interview Summary of July 7, 2005.

In light of the specification support noted during the interview, the Examiner indicated that the antecedent basis for "card housing" in lines 11-12 of claim 21 will be corrected to read "the housing", not "a card housing".

Applicants attempted to correct the error in the Examiner's amendment by an Amendment under 37 CFR 1.312; however, in the Official Communication dated June 21, 2006, the Examiner disapproved of the amendment because prosecution of the case was closed. Applicants have therefore filed a Request for Continued Examiner herewith, and respectfully request correction of claim 21, as agreed upon, by entry of the present claim amendment.

Amendments to the Drawings:

In the Amendment under 37 CFR 1.312, Applicants presented amended drawings correcting an error discovered in Figures 1 and 2. Applicants respectfully request that the Examiner provide notification of whether or not the amended drawing and the replacement sheet incorporating the correction have been approved.

SUMMARY

It is respectfully submitted that each of the presently pending claims (claims 1-32) is in condition for allowance and notification to that effect is requested. The Examiner is invited to contact Applicants' representative at the below-listed telephone number if it is believed that prosecution of this application may be assisted thereby.

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Respectfully submitted,

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